



# System Realignment Learning Opportunity

FAMILY HOMELESSNESS INITIATIVE & BUILDING CHANGES AUGUST 22, 2014





# Agenda

### Setting the Context

- What's happening locally?
- Where is the family system headed?
- What about the rest of the country?

### The Moving Parts

- System Realignment
- Phase 1 Group 1
- Next Steps

### **Capacity Building Grants**

Update & Next Steps

### Discussion





#### Committee to End Homelessness Goals:

- Making homelessness <u>RARE</u>
- If it occurs, homelessness is <u>BRIEF</u>
- And occurs <u>ONE TIME</u>, only

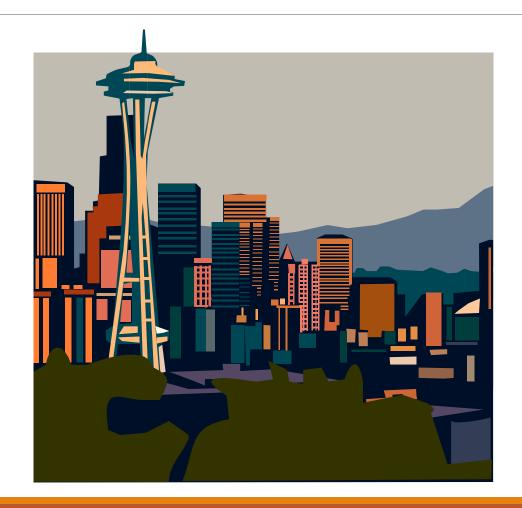
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### Family Homelessness System

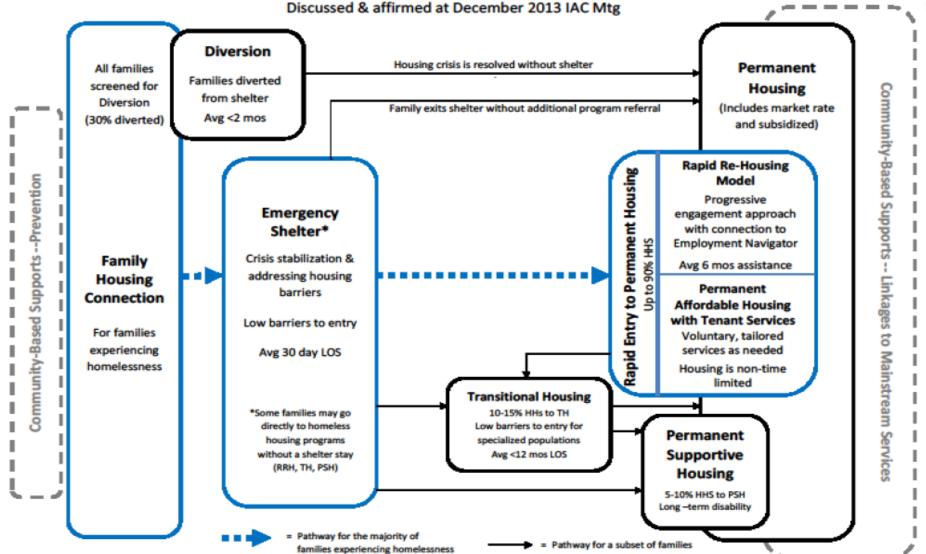
- o Rare, Brief, & One Time
- Assist families experiencing homelessness attain permanent housing as quickly as possible
- Re-balance family homelessness system to better address that goal
- Continuing the same strategies will yield the same results



Setting .

TOGETHER

**END** HOMELESSNESS







CURRENT MODELS	REFINED MODELS		Lucasia de Carata da Danfara		
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Emergency Shelter	Emergency Shelter		<ul> <li>Low barriers to entry</li> <li>✓ Length of stay</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Crisis stabilization svcs</li><li>Address hsg barriers</li></ul>	
Transitional Housing	Transitional Housing		<ul><li>Low barriers to entry</li><li>Specialized pops</li></ul>	<ul><li>↓ Length of stay</li><li>&lt;12 mos. LOS</li></ul>	
Rent Asst./Rapid Re-Housing	Rapid Re-Housing		<ul><li>Progressive engage.</li><li>Employ. Navigators</li></ul>	• Avg. 6 mos. asst.	
Service Enriched Housing	Perm Aff Hsg w/ Tenant Svcs		<ul><li>Vol./tailored svcs</li><li>Non-time limited</li></ul>	Some specialized pops	
Permanent Supportive Housing	Permanent Supportive Housing		<ul><li>Long-term disabilities</li><li>Non-time limited</li></ul>	Comp. Svcs as needed     (medical, mental	
				health, sub abuse, etc.)	



#### **System Realignment Targets**

BUILDING CHANGES

Discussed & Affirmed at June 2014 IAC Mtg

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2020 Targets

TOGETHER

Current Capacity\*

Shelter

288 Units

Approximately 25% each year First group of shelter units to realign during 2016/2017

50-100 Units

Transitional Housing

791 Units

First phase of TH units to realign during 2015 (Approximately 250 units)

Approximately 20% each subsequent year\*\*

100-150 Units

Rapid Re-Housing (and TRA) RRH Pilot: 179 slots TRA: 101 slots

Current Transitional Rental Assistance programs to align with RRH model in 2015 RRH Pilot ends 2014 (ongoing funding TBD)

Up to 250 Slots

Permanent Afford, Hsg. W/ Tenant Services

388 Units (Service Enriched Hsg.) Approximate 20% increase each year Units increase as time-limited units realign

Up to 1000 units

Permanent Supportive Housing

200 Units

Approximate 15% increases each year Units increase as time-limited units realign

250-350 Units

As noted in the Guiding Principles, these realignment efforts will be an iterative, 'learning' process, with adjustments made as necessary. The above targets may be refined based on this "learn as we go" philosophy.

<sup>\*</sup> Current capacity- estimates based on 2013 CEH System Map & HMIS Data.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Transitional housing programs primarily realign to non-time limited projects.



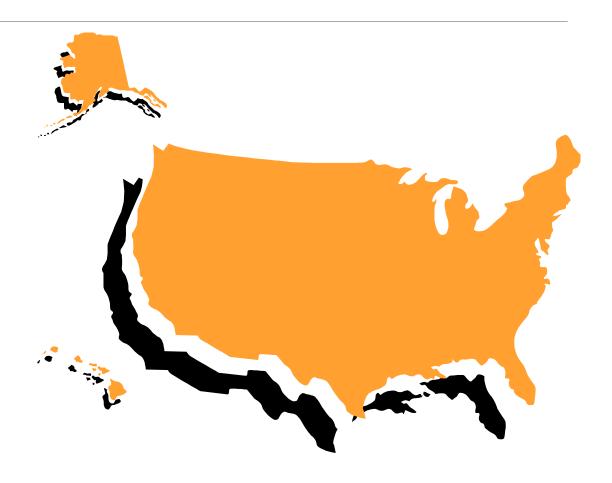


U.S. Interagency Council on Homelessness

**HUD & HEARTH** 

Housing 1<sup>st</sup> and Rapid Re-Housing Communities

**Re-Tooling Transitional Housing** 







### BUILDING CHANGES END HOMELESSNESS TOGETHER

# Activity



- 1. What excites you most about what we just heard?
- 2. What feels frustrating?
- 3. What are you most curious about?

Discuss at your tables and regroup



Realignment





### Phase 1

exit to permanent housing

Transitional housing for specialized populations -- interim adjustments to align with refined TH model

First group of transitional housing programs realign to alternate interventions

Remaining transitional housing programs - interim adjustments to align with refined TH model

rapid re-housing model

Ongoing evaluation of Rapid Re-Housing Pilot

### Phase 2

Existing shelter - adjustments to support rapid exit to permanent

Ongoing evaluation and adjustments to system targets and models

Transitional housing for specialized populations - continue program refinement

Remaining (non-specialized) transitional housing programs realign to alternate interventions

### Phase 3

Evaluate emergency shelter capacity and refine sytem targets

Ongoing evaluation and adjustments to system targets and refined models

Remaining programs realign to support system goals

Ongoing support to sustain changes





# System Realignment Strategies

#### **GROUP 1**

- 5+ Agencies
- Project Analysis Process
- Coordination with FHI and Funders
- Resulting in transitional housing units realigning to permanent housing approaches

#### OTHER TIME-LIMITED PROGRAMS

- Remaining Time-Limited Programs
- Making Incremental Adjustments
- Coordination with FHI and Funders
- Resulting in improved system performance in key areas

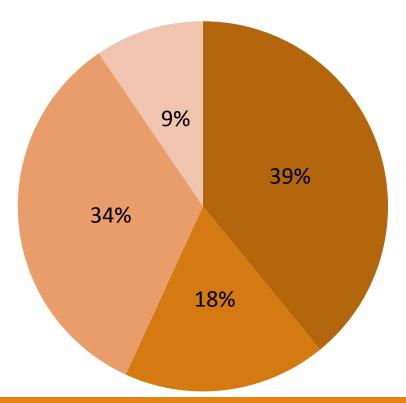




# System Realignment Strategies

### **Transitional Housing (862 total units – 790 publicly funded)**

■ 1st Group (337 units) ■ Other TH (153 units) ■ Specialized TH (290 units) ■ Private (82 units)







# System Realignment Strategies – Group 1

July – August 2014

- Initial meetings and invitation to join first phase of realignment
- Early discussions of agency goals, current thinking, or brainstorming options

August – September 2014

- Project Analysis:
  - Opportunities and barriers to realignment
  - Feasibility assessment

October – November 2014

Coordination with local, state, and federal funding to support realignment goals

December 2014 - January 2015

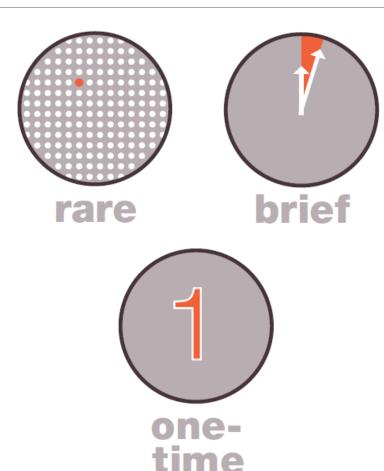
Agencies begin developing realignment implementation plans





### System Realignment Strategies – Other Agencies

- Incremental Changes towards RARE, BRIEF, ONE TIME
- Learning Circles for all staff levels for each program type (shelter and transitional)
- Utilize system and program-level data to:
  - Inform changes needed
  - Identify & build on strategies that are working
- Exchange solutions and ideas
- Test new strategies
- Potential resources available to support adjustments







### System Realignment Strategies – Other Agencies

### What could incremental changes look like?

- Shelters
  - 25% of households leave to permanent housing directly from shelter
  - Increase coordination with RRH programs
  - Increase efforts to more immediately reduce housing barriers
- Transitional Housing Programs
  - Increase access to programs
  - Improve targeting
  - Reduce lengths of stay





### System Realignment Strategies – Other Agencies

Timeline – More Iterative Process

#### 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2014:

- Begin Learning Circles (meeting every other month) Review and discuss system and programlevel data
- Provide report of successes, work-to-date, and initial plans to work towards system goals by October 1, 2014 to Building Changes

#### 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 2014:

- Begin utilization of System Realignment Tool Kit (Realignment Assessment and Action Plan)
- Begin utilization of technical assistance and system resources to support efforts

#### February 2015:

Second group to begin Project Analysis Process (pending outcome of first phase)





# Capacity Building Grants

Capacity Building Grants are awarded in two parts

First Installment

Second Installment

The process for second installment.





Q & A





# Discussion & Wrap-Up Activity

**Exercise on readiness to move forward** 





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